



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re: Application of:

Hawks, et al.

Serial No.: 09/413,552

Filed: October 6, 1999

For: **Method and Apparatus Suitable
for Forming a Microelectronic Device Package**

Confirmation No.: 2160

Group Art Unit: 2831

Examiner: Ngo, H.

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RESPONSE

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Sir:

The outstanding Advisory Action mailed August 18, 2003 (Paper No. 24) has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please enter the following amendments in which claim 28 is canceled. Claims 1, 2, 21-27, 29, and 31-36 are now pending in the present application.

In accordance with 37 U.S.C. § 1.114, a Request for Continued Examination is filed concurrently with this Response to the Final Office Action so that the Office Action mailed April 28, 2003, (Paper No. 20) is effectively made non-final. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and presently pending claims, as amended, are respectfully requested.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is believed that only a one-month extension of time is required. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 20-0778.